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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Docket Number (Optional)  
285-171

In re Application of <b>Morris et al.</b>	
Application Number <b>10/032,778</b> Filed <b>10/22/01</b>	
For <b>IMPLANT RETAINING DEVICE</b>	
Group Art Unit <b>3731</b>	Examiner <b>David, D.J.</b>

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows  
(check time period desired):

- One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))
- Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))
- Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))
- Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))
- Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))

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- Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$ 475.00.
- A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
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- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 04-1121.

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I am the  applicant/inventor

- assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.  
Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).
- attorney or agent of record.
- attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34(a).  
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